

Appl. No.
Amdt. dated August 19, 2003]
Preliminary Amendment

PATENT

REMARKS

With entry of the current amendment, claims 5, 6, and 11 have been amended and claims 1, 2, 4, and 14-31 have been cancelled. Claims 3, 5-13, and 32-35 are therefore pending in the application.

The amendments to the claims delete references to cancelled claims and therefore add no new matter.

The new paragraph added to the specification adds no new matter and merely provides the priority claim for the instant application.

Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

Respectfully submitted,

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